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What Love Can Do

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PM Ser.:
7:30 P.M.

The Fruit of the Spirit #1 (1)

✓ Janis Roberson ✓
✓ George

What Love Can Do!

Int. what is God like? Jesus? H.S. True Chr.?
How would you know? must be a model, or pattern somewhere? where?

O.T.? Book of types, examples & illustrations?
N.T.? Book of struggling humanity to find God.
⊕ John 17:1-5.

I God fully lets mankind to "win" that -
(to know Him) - struggle - in the church. ⊕ Eph. 4:11-16.

- a. Provides leaders. V.11.
- b. Provides purpose. V.12. Equipping + edifying.
- c. Provides a goal. V.13-15. Unity, Knowledge, mature men LIKE Jesus!

Note: None of this worth a zinc penny without one great element! what? Is. 16. "LOVE."
I cor. 13.

A. where does this element fit into my world, my present + my future?
ans. ⊕ Gal. 5:22-26. First mark of the nature + essence of God. "LOVE"

B. what is Love? ans. several things:
depending on how used!
an emotion! a sentiment. an attitude.
a viewpoint. and a commitment!

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| 1. <u>Eros</u> .
Romantic married couples. | 2. <u>Agape</u> .
Unlimited - good-will. to everyone! | 3. <u>Phileo</u> .
Love to friends. | <u>Storge</u> .
Family - affection. Parents, children |
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all diff! Each in a realm of its own.
none should be competitive to any other.
But, One is more imp. than the other three!

C. There is a Hierarchy of Love.

1. Matt. 22:37. "God first!" Unlimited ^{Paradise.}
Defined: I John 5:3. Obed.

2. "Self" - second: Matt. 22:39c. If
cannot love SELF, cannot love
outside-self. Must develop an
identity - a self-image -
a good self image. ^{Inner-} self-respect.

Matt. 22:39b. 3. Third - love "neighbor" as self
"nearby!" Includes family, friends,
brethren, + even enemies. God will
to all - ^{1. unlimited-concern.}
_{2. (Christ-like)}

D. Who CAN do this? Who HAS!! ^{done it?}

1. God can! God did! @ John 3:16.
2. Jesus can! Jesus did! @ John 13:34. ^{a new}
3. Paul can. Paul did. @ II Cor. 5:14.
4. Committed Christians CAN + DO!
John 13:34-35.

E. Question: Is love innate, ^(inherited)
or acquired (learned thru association,
instruction + examples)?

Ans. Acquired! How know?

2 sources: Observation + Revelation.

Cont. → over.



1. Observation: Houston, Tex. family.

Chr. father. atheist mother (teacher). 17-yr. old son. 21 yr. old daug. ^{married.} 3 children.

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Father - mem. at Lawndale cfc. mother - scoffer + reviler
Son - sent to prison. Murder on McKinnay ave. .69¢
Daug. Came for counseling. "Teach me How to love."
she Honesty, didn't know how? No. No role model.

I Defined love: Good-will toward others.

Concern for the well-being of others.

Note: She was doing better than she Bellevue ^{Being a good wife taking her fam. to Wor.}

conc. She was loving + not knowing it
or at least not interpreting it as love.

End of #1-observation

conc. #2. ^{Love acquired by:} Revelation: Matt. 22:37-39. ^{Look around for models copy them!}

John 13:34-35.

John 14:15 + 15:14.
^{I love me} ^{Friends!}

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